



FBI Celebrates its 100th Anniversary

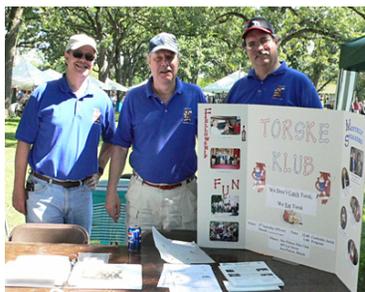


Our opening speaker for this season is Mr. Brian Etchell, Special Investigator for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Chicago, who will speak to our group about the FBI. He has been involved in a number of notable cases in the Chicago area including investigations of our state's corrupt politicians, tow truck industry, and the corruption investigation of Chicago Alderman Arenda Troutman. In addition, the FBI is 100 years old this year with a long history and reputation as our federal law enforcement agency. Join us for a unique and interesting day.

The Boss, Robert Alsaker, will be absent this day as he and his wife Evy visit Norway, so our Assistant Boss, Don Hoganson, will step in. Our Raffle Chairman, Ron Bentsen, is traveling to the Italian Alps, so Robert Frost will man his duties.

Scandinavian Day at Vasa Park- September 7

The Chicago Torske Klub has again acquired a table at Vasa Park for Scandinavian Day on September 7, 2008. Last year, the event was awash with blue Torske Klub shirts, which was a remarkable representation of our substantial membership. Foods include: Viking Fried Herring Plate, Swedish Pancake Plate, Swedish Meatball Dinner, Norwegian Lefse/Polse Wrap, Uff-da Burgers, Danish Hot Dogs, Aebleskiver, Rabarbergrod, Foods of Finland, Icelandic Delicacies & many other "Scandinavian treats".



Ken Nordan, Robert Alsaker and Ken Larson staff the Torske Klub table at Vasa Park in 2007

Bjornson Chorus will perform, among many others. Adults \$10, Children under 12 are free, however for Free Entry, wear full traditional Scandinavian Dress or Costume. For the admiration of the attendees and fellow Torske Klub members, wear your blue Torske Klub shirt! The site is a beautiful grove along the Fox River in South Elgin, so bring your family and enjoy the food, music and fellowship. On the internet, see <http://www.scandinaviandayil.com/>



Our first monthly luncheon of the new Torske Klub season will be held on September 13, 2008 at the Des Plaines Elks Club, 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL. Cocktail hour begins at noon; dinner starts promptly at 1:00 P.M. when, according to our tradition, our Assistant BOSS, Don Hoganson, rings the bell to seat us for dinner.

Reservations due by:
Tuesday, Sep 9
NOON

Make Your Regular Dinner Reservation by TUESDAY Noon, September 9, 2008.

ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR DINNER. The Elks Club needs time to order the fresh fish. Timely reservations insure that an adequate portion and a table space can be reserved for you. Noon means noon. ANY reservation made after noon on Tuesday will have a \$5.00 late fee imposed, making your dinner charge \$25.

Call 630-445-1263 (the New Number) at any time day or night to leave a reservation; only call 630-406-0148 if you can't get through. As usual, please leave your **MEMBERSHIP NUMBER, NAME, and the TOTAL number of people in your party.** The same information is required when you reserve for other members. It will ring a few times before answering.

We have reservations from the following members: 22, 47, 55, 73C, 85, 98, 114, 115, 126, 141.

We also the email reservations if you choose. Please send to secretary@torskeklub.org with your number of reservations, including guests. We will respond with a confirmation email.

****TIP** – Don't know or remember your membership number? Check the mailing label. It is the number or number/letter by your name.

NEW! Dinner Reservation Phone: ☎ (630) 445 1263

Report From the Board of Directors

The Chicago Torske Klub Board met for a semi-annual review of finances and events.

> In summary, we are in good financial shape, and there are no changes expected in the costs, dinners or meetings. Dues remain at \$40/year and dinners at \$20.

> Dr. Ray Newgard announced an outstanding set of programs which is reviewed elsewhere in the letter. We are invited to attend the Madison Torske Klubben once again, when a mutual meeting date can be set. Our Torske Klub will pick up the bus cost.

> This is the start of the 49th year of the Chicago Torske Klub. Special events are planned to celebrate, including a dinner dance for members and guests in April, 2010.

> The secretary, Ken Larson, has moved to 520 N. Batavia Ave, Batavia IL 60510; please direct future correspondence there.

Tusen Takk to Ron and Carol Bentsen for hosting the board meeting.

Chicago Torske Klub Board of Directors

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September and Summer Birthdays

This month, we toast the monthly birthdays for September, as well as those who had been previously omitted during our sabbatical summer:

June: Vincent Field, Haakon Andreasen, Ed Gutmann, Stu Bentley, Jimmy Sorensen, Preben Hammer, Roy Jensen, Ken Vesterli, Carl Eglund, the Hon. Perry Gulbrandsen, Tom Muldoon, Torske Klub Secretary Ken Larson, Raffle Chairman Ron Bentsen.

July: Bill Scheiderich, Lowell Olberg, Peter Olberg, Sverre Overland, Hank Solberg, Randy Truckenbrodt, Paul Johnson, Robert Newgard, Robert Anderson and Einar Cannelin, who was born 5 years after the FBI was founded.

August: Tom Bendicson, Dr. Marshall Pedersen, Julian Ronning, Bob Cornwell, Alan Alsaker, Walt Winney, Knut Sjurseth, Stan Nelson, John Lund, Clarence Peterson, Roy Andersen, Board member Robert Frost II, Norwegian Hon. Consul General Paul Anderson, our Assistant Boss Don Hogansen and of course, our Boss, Robert Alsaker.

September: Sam Cory, John Teppen, Kurt Gustafson, Petter Berntzen, Charles Truckenbrodt, Jostein Bakken, Ken Andersen, Jim Andersen, Jerry Andersen, Kjell Larsen, Finn Braathen and board member Fred Glure.

Future Programs and Luncheon Calendar

Our program chairman, Dr. Ray Newgard, has announced the following speakers and events for the 2008-2009 Torske Klub season:

September 13, 2008 – FBI Special Investigator Brian Etchell

October 11, 2008 – Attorney Steven Leven speaks on “Nursing Home Abuse”

November 8, 2008 – Actor R.J. Lindley as President Franklin Delano Roosevelt

December 13, 2008 – Christmas Celebration – Bjornson Male Chorus presents “Voices and Song” - arranged by Milt Gustafson

January 10, 2008 – Speaker to be announced

February 14, 2008 – Ladies Day (coincidentally Valentine’s Day) – Our sultry songstress Tina Winther

March 14, 2008 – Bud Hertzog – Head Trumpeter of the Chicago Symphony

April 11, 2008 – Father, Son, Daughter day- John Lund, President of the Sons of Norway

May 9, 2008 – 49th Anniversary Celebration – Torske Klub History by Dave Cornwell